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REVIVAL OF STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the profit making steel plants as well as those in sick conditions;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for revival of such sick steel plants;

(c) whether the steel production is sufficient to meet the domestic demands fully;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the steel production in the country is declining;

(f) if so, the steps being taken to improve the situation; and

(g) the programmes chalked out by the Government for expansion of steel industry?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

(a) During the financial year 2006-07, all steel plants having installed capacities of 1.0 million tonne per annum or higher have made net profits except Ispat Industry which has incurred a net loss after tax payment for Rs. (-) 10.26 crores. The details of profit before tax (PBT) and profit after tax (PAT) in respect of these plants are given below: -

(Figures in crore rupees)

Company	PBT for 2006-07	PAT for 2006-07
Steel Authorigy of India Ltd.	9422.62	6202.29
Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd.	2584.00	1363.0
Tata Steel Ltd.#	6313.02	4165.61
Jindal Steel and Power Ltd.#	940.90	705.95
JSW Steel Ltd.#	1927.14	1303.89
Essar Steel Ltd.#	683.46	436.49
Ispat Industries Ltd.#	2.65	(-)10.26

(: Source: National Stock Exchange)

(b) None of the above steel plants are sick, hence does not arise.

(c) During the year 2006-07, the country is a net exporter of steel with a total export of 4.75 million tonnes and import of 4.10 million tonnes of steel. The apparent domestic consumption of non-alloy finished steel in India during 2006-07 is 43.74 million tonnes.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

(e) No, Sir. The crude steel production in the country in 2006-07 was 50.86 million tonnes (prov.) over 46.46 million tonnes in 2005-06, which is an increase of 9.47%.

(f) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

(g) Steel Authorigy of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have planned to augment the hot metal production capacity from 14.6 MTPA (million tonnes per annum) to 26.0 MTPA and from 4.05 MTPA to 6.5 MTPA respectively.